

Staff strength of AI and IA

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment with regard to the total working staff strength in Air India and Indian Airlines;

(b) if so, the total number of employees working in both the establishments as in February, 2001; and

(c) the number of permanent and temporary employees out of these, separately?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) to (e) The permanent and temporary employees working in Air India and Indian Airlines as on February, 2001 are as under:—

	Permanent Employees	Temporary Employees	Total
Air India Indian	16740	31	. 16771
Airlines	♦19645	Nil	*19645

• This figure does not include SHOD (Short Haul Operation* Department) employees.

Creation of Airports Economic Regulatory Authority

4115. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that proposal for creation of an autonomous Airports Economic Regulatory Authority (AERA), a key provision of the proposed Civil Aviation Policy, has been turned down by the Ministry of Finance;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.